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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL POLITICS: MAGALHAES PINTO DECLINES

TO CONTEST MDB NOMINATION

REF: (A) RIO DE JANEIRO 3271, (B) BRASILIA 6114

1. ARENA DISSIDENT PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE, SENATOR MAGALHAES PINTO, IN A BRIEF LETTER TO OPPOSITION PARTY MDB PRESIDENT ULYSSES GUIMARAES ON AUGUST 8, RULED HIMSELF OUT AS A POSSIBLE MDB PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE. MAGALHAES STATED THAT HE HAD ESTABLISHED TWO CONDITIONS RELATIVE TO HIS POSSIBLE CONDIDACY FOR A MDB NOMINATION: THAT HIS CANDIDACY WOULD NOT DIVIDE THE PARTY AND THAT HE WOULD HAVE A POSSIBILITY OF VICTORY IN THE ELECTORAL COLLEGE THROUGH THE SUPPORT OF DISSIDENT ARENA MEMBERS. HE WENT ON TO SAY THAT THE PARTY HAS ANOTHER CANDIDATE AT ITS DISPOSITION (E.G., GENERAL EULER BENTES) AND THAT THEREFORE HE WOULD NOT ENTER HIS NAME AS A POSSIBLE CANDIDATE.

2. MAGALHAES' WITHDRAWAL CAME ON THE EVE OF A MEETING OF THE MDB NATIONAL DIRECTORATE CALLED FOR THE PURPOSE
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OF DECIDING WHETHER OR NOT TO CONVENE A NATIONAL PARTY CONVENTION TO CONSIDER THE PARTY'S POSITION ON THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS. THE DIRECTORATE VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO MEET IN A CONVENTION ON AUGUST 23 TO ADDRESS THE QUESTION.

3. COMMENT: MAGALHAES WITHDRAWAL LEAVES THE WAY

CLEAR FOR THE MDB TO NOMINATE GENERAL EULER BENTES
ALTHOUGH THIS IS FAR FROM A FOREGONE CONCLUSION AT THIS
TIME.
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